

**U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION REPORT**

I. HEADING

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Subject: Buffalo Weaving and Belting Co., City of Buffalo, NY -
Fire damaged buildings containing drums of unknown materials and fire
damaged materials, and suspected asbestos-wrapped piping beneath
collapsed roofs and fire damaged debris. Other buildings contain drums,
laboratory chemicals, asbestos, and electrical transformers

POLREP NO: Eleven (11) www.epaosc.net/buffaloweaving

II. BACKGROUND

SITE/SPILL NO.: 02TU
RESPONSE AUTHORITY: CERCLA/SARA
NPL STATUS: Non-NPL
CERCLIS ID: NYD002111375
START DATE: April 18, 2003
COMPLETION DATE: N/A
VERBAL FUNDING: April 18, 2003 by ERRD Division Director
ACTION MEMO (AM) STATUS: Signed May 5, 2003
AM CEILING INCREASE STATUS: Signed September 26, 2003

III. RESPONSE INFORMATION

A. Situation (See POLREP 1) www.epaosc.net/buffaloweaving

B. Actions Taken

1. All drums, damaged electrical transformers, PCB electrical transformers, cylinders, and lab chemicals have been sent off-site to multiple disposal facilities. Shipments were completed by December 19.

2. Site was demobilized for the holidays and remobilized on 1/13/04. Work to be completed includes asbestos abatement within Building 17, asbestos abatement within the main site buildings, shipment of the empty drums at the site, removal of concrete foundations and equipment platforms above grade-level on the footprint of the former site buildings, and placement of stone on the site for a final grade.
3. Asbestos abatement is being completed within Building 17. Abatement will begin in the main site buildings on 1/22/04.
4. Empty drums are currently being crushed and will be disposed off-site on 1/22/04.
5. Removal of concrete foundations and equipment platforms will be completed by 1/23/04.
6. Residents in the surrounding area have been notified via direct mailing from EPA about the status of the project.

C. Future Actions

1. Results of the geoprobe sampling and the groundwater samples are forthcoming from ERT.
2. Final grading at the site will be completed when weather conditions become more favorable.
3. Asbestos abatement and repairs are expected to be completed by 1/30/04.

D. Key Issues

None

IV. COST INFORMATION: As of 01/21/04

Site Ceiling as of 01/21/04			
	Total Ceiling	Costs to Date	Amount Remaining
WRS I&E	\$ 1,525,000	\$ 1,475,000	\$ 50,000
RST	\$ 206,000	\$ 180,000	\$ 26,000
Totals	\$ 1,731,000	\$ 1,655,000	\$ 76,000

An additional \$100,000 was obligated to the project on December 16, 2003.

The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The OSC does not necessarily receive specific figures on final payments made to any contractor(s). Other financial data, which the OSC must rely upon, may not be entirely up-to-date. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.